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a second inflatable compartment disposed on the top of the first inflatable compartment and secured thereto at least along a portion of the first inflatable compartment at a point spaced inwardly from the sides of said first inflatable compartment, said second compartment extending generally the length and width of the top of the first compartment, said second compartment being of a size, when inflated, sufficient to support a human body; said second compartment being composed of at least two layers of vinyl distinct from the two layers of vinyl forming the first compartment; said second compartment being inflatable to give the top of the air mattress a soft, pillow-like appearance and feel.

Sub B 24. (New) An air mattress comprising:

a first inflatable compartment having sides with a length and a width and defining a periphery;

a second inflatable compartment extending generally the length and width of the periphery; and

a perimeter seal connecting said first inflatable compartment to said second inflatable compartment, wherein said perimeter seal is spaced inwardly from the periphery.

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25. (New) The air mattress as set forth in claim 24 further comprising at least one additional seal connecting said first inflatable compartment to said second inflatable compartment, wherein said additional seal includes a fluid communication channel between said first inflatable compartment and said second inflatable compartment.

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26. (New) An air mattress comprising:

a first inflatable compartment having sides with a length and a width and defining a periphery;

a second inflatable compartment extending generally the length and width of the periphery, said second inflatable compartment comprising a pair of layers joined together by a plurality of discontinuous seals;

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a perimeter seal connecting said first inflatable compartment to said second inflatable compartment, wherein said perimeter seal is spaced a distance from the periphery to give the air mattress a soft, pillow-like appearance and feel when said second inflatable compartment is inflated and to permit limited relative movement of the second compartment with respect to the first compartment; and

at least one additional seal connecting said first inflatable compartment to said second inflatable compartment, wherein said additional seal includes a fluid communication channel between said first inflatable compartment and said second inflatable compartment.